# The Secrets of the Hohenzollerns

STARTLING EXPOSURE OF INNER LIFE OF KAISER AND CROWN PRINCE AS TOLD BY COUNT ERNST VON HELTZENDORFF TO WILLIAM LEQUEUX

DIFFORMAL NOTE. — William Le-lucux, who here chronicles for his riesd, Count Erret von Heltnendorff, Miss King I learned was an Engthe latter's revelations of the inner life of the imperial German court, has long been recognised throughout Europe as the possessor of its innermost

The English "Who's Who" says of that she had just come off one of the the secret service of Continental countries and is considered by the governmant (of Great Britain) an authority on such matters." Another authority says: "Few people have been more closely as-sociated with or know more of the autunding inner machinery of Ger-many than he."

LeQueux probably has more sources of secret information at his command than any contemporary in civil life, and for the last six years the British Goverament has made valuable use of his cast store of secret information through a specially organised department with which Lettneux works as a voluntary

Count von Heltzendorff became an in-timate of LeQueux several years prior to the authreak of the war; he has been living in retirement in France since August, 1914, and it was there that Le-August, 1914, and it was there that Le-Queux received from the crown prince's late personal adjutant permission to make public these revelations of the laner life of the Hohensollerns—that the democracies of the world might come to know the real, but heretofore hidden, personalities of the two domi-mant members of the autocracy they are now arrayed against. now arrayed against.

#### British Girl Balks The Kaiser's Plans

TOW completely we have put to sleep these very dear cousins of ours, the Brit-lah!" His imperial highness, the crown prince made this remark to me as he sat in the corner of a first-class compartment of an express that had ten minutes before left Paddington station for the West of Eng-

The crown prince, though not generally known, frequently visited England and Scotland incognito, and we were upon one of those flying visits on that bright summer's morning as the express fore through the delightful English scenery of the Thames valley, with the first stopping place at Plymouth, our destination

young hot-headed imperial master was | holding myself in readiness should "Mr. concealed from me

Four days before he had dashed into tored back with all speed. Something are unusually annoyed. From their color I saw that they were secret reports-those documents prepared solely for the eyes of the kniser and those of his oldest son.

He took a big linen-lined envelope and, placing the papers in it, carefully sealed it in wax. "We are going to London, Heltzen-

dorff. Put that in your dispatch box. I may want it when we are in Eng-"To London-when?" I asked, sur-

prised at the suddenness of our jourey, because I knew that we were due at Weimar in two days' time. "We leave at six o'clock this eve-

ning," was the crown prince's reply. "Koehler has ordered the salon to be attached to the Hook of Holland train. Hardt has already left Berlin to engage rooms for us at the Ritz, in Lon-

"And the suite?" I asked, for it was one of my duties to arrange who traveled with his imperial highness. "Oh! We'll leave Eckhardt at home,"

e said, for he always hated the surveillance of the commissioner of secret police. "We shall only want Schuier, my valet, and Knof"

We never traveled anywhere withimpudent, arrogant young man, intensely disliked by everyone.

So it was that the four of us duly landed at Harwich and traveled to London, our identity unknown to the from their annual holiday on the con-

At the Ritz, too, "Willie" was not him show him in an elegant uniform, In a tweed suit, or in evening clothes, he presents an unhealthy, weedy, and mewhat insignificant figure. His imperial highness had been on

race to a luncheon given by the amwas invited but the embassy staff.

courier arrived from Berlin and called gether." at the Ritz, where, on being shown into the crown prince's sitting room, he you wish. You surely will not compel handed his highness a sealed letter me to-to commit a crime!" from his wife. "Wille," on reading it, became very

grave. Then, striking a match, he lit it, and held it until it was consumed. There was a second letter-which I saw from the emperor. This he also read, and then gave vent to equal peril with your brother." an expression of impatience. For a few minutes he reflected, and it girl. was then he announced that we must go to Plymouth next day. On arrival there we went to the Royal hotel, where the crown prince day night."

registered as Mr. Richter, engaging a private suite of rooms for himself discreetly withdrew into the corridor and his secretary, myself. For three on pretense of summoning a waiter, days we remained there, taking motor, and when I returned the pretty English runs to Dartmoor, and also down into Cornwall, until on the morning of the fourth day the crown prince said: "I shall probably have a visitor this

morning about eleven o'clock-a young lady named King. Tell them at the bureau to send her up to my sitting room."

At the time appointed the lady came. I received her in the lobby of the selfor ! dot, and found her to be

SEA WATER FOUND IN LAYERS than the upper layers.

Miss King, I learned, was an English girl who some years previously had gone to America with her people, and by the heavy traveling coat and close-fitting hat she wore I concluded

ncoming liners. One thing which struck me as I ooked at her was the brooch she wore. It was a natural butterfly of a rare tropical variety, with bright golden wings, the delicate sheen of which was protected by small plates of crystalone of the most charming ornaments I

As I ushered her in she greeted the

had ever seen.

rown prince as "Mr. Richter." being apparently entirely unaware of his real identity. I concluded that she was omebody whom his highness had met in Germany, and to whom he had been introduced under his assumed name. "Ah! Miss King!" he exclaimed leasantly in his excellent English, haking hands with her, "Your boat should have been in yesterday. I fear you encountered bad weather-ch?" "Yes, rather," replied the girl, "But did not trouble me much. We had almost constant gales ever since we

Ittle person. "Heltzendorff, would you please bring e that scaled packet from your dispatch box?" he asked suddenly, turn-

left New York," she laughed brightly.

She appeared to be quite a charming

ng to me. The sealed packet! I had forgotten, all about it ever since he had handed it to me at the door of the Marmor palace. I knew that it contained some secret reports prepared for the eye of the emperor. The latter had no doubt brought them with him from Berlin. As ordered, I took the packet into the room where his highness sat with

his fair visitor, and then I retired and closed the door. "I Can't; It Would Be Dishonest!" Hotel doors are never very heavy, as rule, therefore, I was able to hear conversation, but unfortunately few words were distinct. The interview had lasted nearly half an hour. Finding that I could hear nothing, I con-The real reason for the visit of my tented myself in reading the paper and the Empire.

Richter" want me Of a sudden I heard his highness' my room at the Marmor palace at Pots- voice raised in anger, that shrill, higham. He had been with the emperor pitched note which is peculiar both to in Berlin all the morning, and had mo- the emperor and to his son when they

had occurred, but what it was I failed But I tell you, Miss King, there is to discern. He carried some papers no other way." I heard him shout. "It is motor run along the Surrey hills on the packet of his military tunic. can be done outte easily, and nobody the following day. He had a large can possibly know."

> "Never!" cried the girl, "What would eople think of me?" "You wish to save your brother," he said. "Very well, I have shown you how you can effect this. And I will help you if you agree to the termsif you will find out what I want to

> "I can't !" cried the girl in evident distress. "I really can't! It would be dishonest-criminal !"

know."

"Bah! my dear girl, you are looking at the affair from far too high a standpoint," replied the man she knew as "It is a mere matter of You ask me to assist you to save your brother, and I have simply stated my terms. Surely you would not think that I would travel from Berlin here to Plymouth in order to meet you if I were not ready and eager to

help you?" "I must ask my father. I can speak to him in confidence." "Your father!" cried Mr. Richter. "By no means. Why, you must not king.

breathe a single word to him. This affair is a strict secret between us. Please understand that." Then, after out Knof, the chauffeur, who was an a pause: "Your brother is, I quite admit, in direct peril, and you alone can save him. Now, what is your decision?"

The girl's reply was in a tone too low for me to overhear. Its tenor, jostling crowd of tourists returning however, was quickly apparent from the crown prince's words: "You refuse! Very well, then, I can-

ot assist you. I regret, Miss King, recognized, because all photographs of | that you have your journey to England for nothing." "But won't you help me, Mr. Richter?" cried the girl appealingly.

"No," was his answer. "I will, however, give you opportunity to reconthe previous day to Carlton House ter- sider your decision. You are, no doubt, going to London. So am I. basandor's wife, but to which nobody You will meet me in the hall of the Carlton hotel at seven o'clock on Thurs-That same evening an imperial day evening, and we will dine to-"But I can't-I really can't do as

The Crown Prince's Threat.

"Hush!" he cried. "I have shown you these papers, and you know my instructions. Remember that your father must know nothing. Nobody must suspect, or you will find yourself in "You-you are cruel!" sobbed the

"No, no," he said cheerfully: "Don't cry, please. Think it all over, Miss King, and meet me in London on Thurs-

After listening to the appointment, I girl was taking leave of "Mr. Rich-

Her blue eyes betrayed traces of emotion and she was I saw very pale, her bearing quite unlike her attitude when she had entered there. "Well, good-by, Miss King," said his highness, grasping her hand, "It was really awfully good of you to call. We shall meet again very soon-ch? GoodA LETTER FROM THE CROWN PRINCE'S PERSONAL ADJUTANT TO WILLIAM LEQUEUX, POSSESSOR OF THE SECRETS OF EUROPE.

> Veneux Nadon par Moret-sur-Loing, Seine-et-Marne,

February 10th, 1917. My dear LeQueux I have just finished rending the proofs of your articles describing my life as an official at the imperial court at Potsdam, and the two or three small errors you made I have duly corrected. The gross scandals and wily intrigues which I have related to you were many of them known to yourself, for, as the intimate friend of Luisa, the ex-crown princess of Saxony, you were, before the war, closely associated with many of those at court whose names appear in

The revelations which I have made, and which you have recorded here, are but a tithe of the disclosures which I could make, and if the world desires more, I shall be pleased to furnish you with other and even more startling details, which you may also put into print. My service as personal adjutant to the German crown prince is, hap-

plly, at an end, and now, with the treachery of Germany against civili-zation glaringly revealed, I feel, in my retirement, no compunction in exposing all I know concerning the secrets of the kniser and his son, With most cordinl greetings from

(Signed) ERNST VON HELTZENDORFF.

strangers.

ject in view."

or station?"

her."

gained by eavesdropping.

turn up here, in Ostend," I said.

away on a holiday at Vienna."

her into acting as he desired.

again at Potsdam.

grund.

however, that some secret report pre-

sented to the emperor had been shown

to her. Why? I wondered if his high-

ness had been successful in coercing

Certainly the girl's attitude as she

had left the hotel went to show that,

in the contest, she had won by her

A fortnight afterwards we were back

About three months passed. The

crown prince had accompanied the em-

peror to shoot on the Glatzer Gebirge.

that wild mountainous district beyond

Breslau. For a week we had been

staying at a great, high-up prisonlike

schloss, the ancestral home of Prince

Ludwig Lichtenau, in the Wolfels-

The emperor and his suite had

left, and our host had been suddenly

called to Berlin by telegram, his

daughter having been ill. Therefore,

the crown prince and we of the suite

had remained for some further sport.

parture I had spent the afternoon in

looked a deep mountain gorge, and

which had been given up to me for

work. I was busy with correspond-

ence when the courier from Potsdam

leather pouch containing the crown

dressed to his imperial highness, and

"Now, fearing bombs or attempts by

When at last he came in, wet and

showed him the packet. With a care-

zendorff. Open all packets, whether

"I obeyed, and to my surprise found

ered jewel case, in which, reposing

upon a bed of dark blue velvet, was

the beautiful ornament which I had

haired British girl-the golden butter-

I handed it to his highness just as

marked "private."

his highness' return.

marked private or not."

on a side table.

On the day after the emperor's de-

A Surprise Package for "Willie"

woman's keen wit and foresight.

"She does not know your real rank

"Those accursed women!" he cried.

in love she will defy even satan him-

lerns are as a cloud of gnats on a sum-

one of our greatest German philoso-

Then, turning to me, he asked me | variably did so in the presence of

to conduct her out. On returning to the crown prince, found him in a decidedly savage mood. He was pacing the floor impatiently. muttering angrily to himself, for it was self! And yet they are fools, these rested upon some charge and her apparent that some plan of his was being thwarted by the girl's refusal to the irresistible power of our imperial lice service grows worse and worse. conform to his wishes and obtain cer- house. The enemics of the Hohenzol- We will have it entirely reorganized. tain information he was seeking.

The crown prince, when in a foreign | mer's night. The dew comes, and they | timental, far too chicken-hearted." country, was never idle. His energy are no more. It is a pity. Has not was such that he was ever on the to learn whatever he could. Hence against the wind?" it was at two p'clock that afternoon Knof brought round a big gray open car, and in it I sat beside the em- by that little English girl!" peror's son while we were driven around the defenses of Plymouth, just seen them, for the crown prince had as on previous occasions we had inspected those of Portsmouth and of

Dover. On the following Thursday evening we had returned to London, and the crown prince, without telling me where he was going, left the Ritz hotel. merely explaining that he might not be back till midnight. It was on that occasion, my dear LeQueux, you will remember, that I dined with you at the Devonshire club, and we afterward spent a pleasant evening together at

I merely told you that his highness was out at dinner with a friend. You were, naturally, inquisitive, but I did not satisfy your curiosity. Secrecy was

then my duty. A Sample of German Preparedness. On returning to the hotel I found the crown prince arranging with Knof map spread before him-a German military map, the curious marks upon which would have no doubt astonished any war office official. The map indicated certain spots which had been secretly prepared by Germany in view of

the projected invasion. To those spots we motored on the following day. His imperial highness, at the instigation of the emperor, actually made a tour of inspection of those conningly concealed points of vantage which the imperial general staff had, with their marvelous forethought and bold enterprise, already prepared right beneath the very nose of the sleep-

ing British lion. From the crown prince's faunty manner and good spirits I felt assured that by the subtle persuasive powers he possessed towards women he had brought the mysterious Miss King into line with his own plans-whatever they

might be. We lunched at the Burford Bridge hotel, that pretty, old-fashloned house

beneath Box hill, not far from Dor-After our meal in the long public

room, we strolled into the grounds for a smoke. "Well, Heltzendorff," he said pres ently, "we will return to the continent tomorrow. Our visit has not a small paneled room which overbeen altogether abortive. We will re-

main a few days in Ostend, before we return to Potsdam." Next afternoon we had taken up our quarters at a small but very select ho- entered and gave me the battered tel on the Digue at Ostend, a place called the "Beau Sejour." It was prince's letters. Having unlocked it patronized by old-fashioned folk, and with my key, I found among the cor-"Herr Richter" was well known there. There may have been some who suspected that Richter was not the visitor's real name, but they were few, and it always surprised me how well the crown prince succeeded in preserving

authorities knew of the imperial visit. The English Girl Again. The following day, about three o'clock, while the crown prince was carelessly going through some letters brought by couriers from Potsdam, a waiter came to me with a message that a Miss King desired to see Mr. Richter. In surprise I received her, welcoming her to Ostend. From the neat dress of the pretty English girl I concluded that she had just crossed from Dover, and she seemed most anxious to see his highness. I noted that she still wore the beautiful golden butterfly.

his incognito-though, of course, the

When I entered his room to anounce her the crown prince's brow knit, and his thin lips compressed. "H'm! More trouble for us, Heltzendorff, I suppose! Very well, show

her in." The fair visitor was in the room for a long time-indeed, for over an hour, mpression that, whatever might have countenance was as white as paper. been the argument, the pretty girl had came out she smiled at me in triumph, and walked straight forth and down upset him. the stairs.

The crown prince threw himself into blg armchair in undisguised dissatisfaction. Towards me he never wore a mask though, like his father, he in-

ceipt of that unique and beautiful | should become attached to your secret brooch was, I saw, some sign, but of service in America and betray the man its real significance I remained in en- who adopted me and brought me up as tire ignorance.

That it had a serious meaning I in the train on our 200-mile journey back to Berlin.

drove straight to the Berlin Schloss, that something untoward had occurred.

The emperor's face was dark and thoughtful. The crown prince, in his badly creased uniform betraying a long Journey-so unlike his usual spick-and-span appearance, stood nervously by as the kaiser threw himself into his writing chair with a deep grunt and distinctly evil grace.

"I suppose it must be done." he growled to his son. "Did I not foresee that the girl would constitute a se-"Ah, Heltzendorff, when a woman is rious menace? When she was in Germany she might easily have been arwomen, for they are in Ignerance of mouth closed. Bah! our political po-The director, Laubach, is far too sen-

As he spoke he took up his pen and commenced to write rapidly, drawing a move, with eyes and ears always open phers written: 'It is no use breathing deep breath as his quill scratched upon the paper.

"True," I said. "But, surely, it is "You realize," he exclaimed angrily a nuisance to be followed and worried to his son, taking no notice of my presence there, because I was part and parcel of the great machinery of the "Worried! Yes, You are guite right, my dear Heltzendorff, But I court, "you realize what this order means? It is a blow struck against our do not mind worry, if it is in the incause-struck by a mere slip of a girl. at Lloyds knows that it is a seething terests of Prussia, and of our house of Hohenzollern. I admit the girl, Think, if the truth came out! Why, all our propaganda in the United though distinctly pretty, is a most irresponsible person. She does not ap-States and Britain would be nullified in a single day, and the 'good relapeal to me, but I am compelled to hutions' we are now extending on every mor her, because I have a certain obhand throughout the world in order to | This, however, has been carried about mislend our enemies would be exposed I could not go further, or I might in all their true meaning. We cannot have betrayed the knowledge I had afford that. It would be far cheaper to pay twenty million marks—the an- us, it will simply become impossible to "I was surprised that she should nual cost of the whole propaganda in America-than to allow the truth to be "I had written to her. I expected known."

> Suddenly the crown prince's face ome inspiration.

"No. To her I am merely Herr Emil Richter, whom she first met away in the country. She was a tourist, and I was Captain Emil Richter of the Prussian Guards. We met while you were I was anxious to learn something take your order, but I may not have by curiosity to chew a quantity about Miss King's brother, but "Willie" occasion to put it in force." was generally discreet, and at that moment unusually so. One fact was plain,

something-eh? I hope so," said the same refreshing and stimulating effect emperor. "You are usually ingenious upon him. Having told other herders in a crisis. Good! Here is the or- of this, they tried them in various der; act just as you think fit." "I was summoned, your majesty," I said, in order to remind him of my

presence there. "Ah! Yes. You know this Miss King, do you not?" "I received her in Plymouth." was my reply.

"Ah! then you will recognize her. Probably your services may be very urgently required within the next few hours. You may go," and his majesty curtly dismissed me.

I waited in the corridor until his imperial highness came forth. When he ild so he looked flushed and seemed agitated. There had, I knew, occurred violent scene between father and son, for to me it seemed as though "Willie" had again fallen beneath the influence of a pretty face. He drove me in a big Mercedes

over to Potsdam where I had a quantity of military documents awaiting attention, and after a change of clothes, I tackled them. Yet my mind kept constantly reverting to the mystery surrounding the golden butterfly.

A Note From Miss King. After dinner that night I returned to my workroom, when, upon my blottingpad, I found a note addressed to me Opening it, I found that he had scribbled this message:

respondence a small square packet adtrouble. Come alone, and meet me tomorrow night at the Palast hotel, best on a moderately rich loam soil, other means upon his son's life, the in Hamburg. I shall call at seven yet it is susceptible to cultivation in emperor had commanded me always to o'clock and ask for Herr Richter. I nearly all temperate or tropical cliopen packets addressed to him. This shall also use that name. Tell no- mates. The principal wild strawberone, however, being marked "private," body of my journey, not even the and, moreover, the inscription being crown princess-Wilhelm, Kronprinz." in a feminine hand, I decided to await I read the note through a second time, and then burned it.

Next day I arrived at the Palast muddy after a long day's sport, I hotel, facing the Binnenalster, in Hamburg, giving my name as Herr Richless air he said: "Oh, open it, Helt- ter. At seven o'clock I awaited his highness. Eight o'clock came-nine-ten

-even eleven-midnight, but, though within the paper a small leather-cov- I sat in the private room I had engaged, no visitor arrived. Just after twelve, however, a walter brought up a note addressed to Herr

admired at the throat of the fair- Richter. Believing it to be meant for me. I opened it. To my great surprise, I found that it was from the mysterious the crown prince. It rend:

The sight of it electrified him. He "My brother was released from the to listen to you the way I do." held his breath, standing for a few Altona prison this evening-I pre-Their voices were raised, and now and seconds staring at it as though he sume, owing to your interventionthen, curiously enough, I received the were gazing upon some specter. His and we are now both safely on our way across to Harwich. You have evi- get a war bond as a present for my "When did that arrive?" he mandently discovered at last that I am not husband. gained her own point, for when she aged to ask, in a hoarse voice, which the helpless girl you believed me to be, showed how completely sight of it had When your German police arrested my brother Walter in Bremen as a spy "This afternoon. It was in the couof Britain I think you will admit that they acted very injudiciously, in face of all that my brother and myself know He seemed highly nervous, and at today. At Plymouth you demanded, the same time extremely rozzled. Re- as the tribered Walter's liberty, that I months behind on his bills,"

his own daughter. But you never dreamed the extent of my knowledge quickly realized, for within half an of your country's intrigues; you did hour the crown prince and myself were not know that, through my brother and the man who adopted me as his daughter, I know the full extent of On arrival his imperial highness your subtle propaganda. You were, I admit, extremely clever, Herr Richter, and there had a long interview with and I confess that I was quite charmed the emperor. At last I was called into when you sent me, as souvenir, that the familiar pale-green room, the kai- golden butterfly which I returned to ser's private cabinet, and at once saw you as a mark of my refusal and defiance of the conditions you imposed upon me for the release of my brother from the sentence of fifteen years in

> o trace me further. Adieu!" Twelve hours later I handed that leter to the crown prince in Potsdam. Where he had been in the meantime I dld not know. He read it through; then he crushed it in his hands and tossed it into the fire. (Copyright, 1917, William LeQueux.)

> a fortress. This time, Herr Richter, a

that if you attempt any reprisal my

brother will at once expose Germany's

Britain and America. Therefore if you

No Place for Women. Underwriters at Lloyds in London were shocked to learn that the milltary tribunal had suggested the assignment of woman workers to replace

men fit for service there. There was even talk of a strike. Edward E. Nicholls, a member of the directing committee, replied: "The tribunal doesn't know what it is about if it indorses this suggestion. Anyone who knows how business is conducted mass of struggling people. No woman could decently take part in such work. "Underwriters are already employing women as clerks in their offices, and they are doing excellent work. as far as it can be. It takes a lifetime to train men to work on the floor at Lloyds. If more men are taken from insure ships."

How Coffee Got Its Name. Coffee takes its name from Kaffa, a brightened, as though he had had district of Abyssinia where it came from and where it still grows in a "The truth will not be known, I wild state. The story goes that in the promise you," he said, with a strange lifteenth century an Arab herder of grin. I knew that expression. It goats, having noticed that his animals, meant that he had devised some fresh after browsing on the leaves and berplan. "The girl is defiant today, but ries of certain bushes, became exceed, she will not remain so long. I will ingly lively and playful, was prompted these berries. He found them of "Ah! You have perhaps devised pleasing taste and that they had the ways, until it was finally discovered that the best results could be obtained by making a strong infusion of the roasted beans in boiling water, which vielded an aromatic beverage of pleasing taste, which greatly refreshed and stimulated

Navy Older Than Government. The United States navy has the disinction of being somewhat older than the government itself, for nine months before the actual Declaration of Independence congress authorized the construction of two "national" cruisers and appointed a committee to purchase vessels to form the nucleus of a fleet. Within three months of its appointment this committee got together 14 armed vessels and appointed a personnel of officers, among whom was the famous old sea dog, Paul Jones. During the war of the revolution the infant navy captured as many as 800 prizes but suffered so heavily that by the time peace was declared it had almost ceased to exist. A new start on n more ambitious scale was made in on continuing in sin.

How Strawberry Got Its Name. Two reasons obtain as to the origin of the name of the strawberry, one that the name was bestowed because in the crown prince's sprawling hand. of the long stems which resemble old custom of stringing the berries on "I have left. Tell Eckhardt not to straws. The strawberry succeeds from Florida to Alaska, and while it does ries of the United States are the "Fragaria virginiana" and the "Fragaria americana." The everbearing type, "Fragaria vesca," is native to Europe. Garden varieties of strawberries have been derived chiefly from the Chilan strawberry, "Fragaria chiloensis," and the Virginia species.

"Henry," said Mrs. Naggles, impres sively, "I've decided to take up lectur-

"Nonsense!" said her husband. "I mean it, Henry. I have talents that require a wider scope. My mind is quite made up." "Well, my dear, if you will, you

will," he said resignedly. "But I'll tell he was taking a cigarette from the box Miss King, and evidently intended for you one thing. You'll never get the public to sit up till one and two o'clock

Sectarian Selection. She (to the bank clerk)-I wish to Clerk-What denomination, please? She-Oh he's a Presbyterian.

Both Can't Be Ahead. "His wife dresses right up to th minute. "Yes, but she keeps him three

Misdirection of Efficiency. Is the art of efficiency, by any

# INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR JULY 29

GOD'S GRACIOUS INVITATION.

LESSON TEXT-Isalah 55:1-11. GOLDEN TEXT-Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near.-Isa. 55:6.

The Bible is throughout a forward looking book. No matter how dark the light, it looks forward to the dawn of a new and better day. Whenever written, the prophet looks forward toward the end of the Babylonian exile. Isaiah died about 142 years before that event. That scene is laid in Babylonia. Isaiah prophesied in Jerusalem. I. The Invitation, (vv. 1-8) In order to understand the fullness and blessedness of this invitation, we should read in its connection chapters 53 and 54. In chapter 53 we have a woman wins. Further, I warn you prophecy and vision of the Messiah. making his atonement for sins "wounded for our transgressions." machinations abroad. He has, I as-Again we have in this connection a sure you, many good friends, both in picture of the Messiah as our leader and Savior. In chapter 55 we have desire silence you will make no effort the invitation and joyous welcome to the beautiful city which he is establishing for us. (1) Who Is Invited? The word "Ho"

is perhaps an abbreviation of the word "Hold," used to excite attention. This invitation is extended to every one: (a) the "thirsty," to those who are needy; (b) the poor and the rich; those "without money," and the supply is abundant, even as the water. Every one is invited without limitation or distinction. The greatness of a man's spirit is measured by the numbers of his desires and thirsts, by their qualities and by his capacities or the intensity of his thirst. Those invited were to have "wine," a luxury, and "milk," a staple necessity, without is unconscious you should never—" and money and without price. The curso on, and so on. rency of the kingdom of Heaven is grace (v. 1). Money has its uses, but it will never bring things that are best and really worth while. The only satisfactory investments we have are those which are made in the kingdom of God. In Australia we are told there is the "Nardoo Plant," which will satisfy hunger but does not supply nourishment, so that those who eat it are soon hungry again. Thus it is with the pleasures and profits of this world, "Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread and labor for that which satisfieth not?" Solomon tried all that the world could give under the most favorable circumstances, yet found it to be "vanity and vexation of spirit."

(2) Who Will Come? (v. 3). Only me," (Matt. 11:28). We go to God carriage shed back of the house, pr ence. It is the natural, harmonious, being. The result of coming is, "your is, "an everlasting covenant." Literour Savior; the mercy of grace. True satisfaction is in its right order, (See vv. 2, 3). Christ is a faithful witness,

the exalted one, (v. 5) to this cove-(3) When to Come (v. 6). While he may be found, and while he is near implying a time when he may not be found and a time when he will not be near. All of God's promises are

conditional. (4) The Way to Come (v. 7). Forsake open sin, turn from unrighteous thought, turn to the Lord and receive his "multiplied pardon." Man is everywhere depicted in the Scriptures as wandering away from the true God and there is no salvation if we insist

II. The Transformation (vv. 8-13). God's promises have back of them all the power of the universe and are as certain as the process of the seasons. In working out his transformation in the character of man, we are to think his thoughts after him. We see and straws, and the other because of an know only very little of this spirit, but God sees, knows and controls the universe, which is at his command. (I Cor. 10:13; Phil. 4:19). We are to enter into his ways, and his ways are as the heavens, higher than those of the earth. Having entered into his ways we are to bring his fruits (see John 15). If the Divine seed (v. 11) is implanted within us, then we may expect to see the fruits of the kingdom of God, which are born of the spirit. (Gal. 5:22-26). This transformation involves service, for we are to have a mission, "go out to all the earth," being led by the Messiah and thus receive "joy and peace." As sure as "the rain cometh down and the snow from heaven and returneth not but watereth the earth," so is the seed of the Word in the hands of the sower, to become bread to the enter. As we go forth we have his promise (v. 11) that, "it shall not return void but shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." As a result the "thorns" (evil) shall be displaced by "fig trees" (good). God's word bears fruit in implanted lives. (John 6:33; James 1:18; Peter 1:23). God calls this word which is spoken of by the prophet, "My word." What the prophet says, God says. What an inspired man says, God inspires him to say. God's promise will be consummated in redeeming soclety, as well as redeeming creation (vv. 12,13; Ch. 35:10; 49:9,10; 51:11; Jer. 31:12-14; Isa. 35:1,2). The language about the mountains and hills breaking forth into singing, is interpreted in Psalms 65:11,13.

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Miss Eleanor Munro, niece of former Postmaster Bryson, had an interesting experience while acting as a member of the "flying squadron" of the Red Cross, says the Indianapolis News. Miss Munro was one of a machine those who are listening and who are load of workers canvassing the rural attentive. Many fail of eternal life routes west of the city. At one home because they do not pay attention to on the Maywood road, Miss Munro the claims of religion. "Come unto alighted and seeing several men in the for salvation and help, and we find ceeded in that direction, determined life. Life is more than mere exist- to make her appeal to the purse holding part of the family. Soon the joyous activity of every part of our other occupants of her machine heard sounds indicating some presumably husoul shall live," and the surety of it morous situation, and soon Miss Munro emerged from the shed and showed to ally, an agreement with promises her companions a double handful of which can never be broken, namely, bills and small change, "Six dollars," "the sure mercies of David." (See II she exclaimed, laughingly, "and how Sam. 12:29; I Cor. 17:7-27; Ps. 89:1-4; do you suppose I got it? I ran into also Luke 20:41, 44). We are bought a keg of beer and a poker game, and but we did not pay the price. The in order to get rid of me posthaste, mercies of David are the antitype of they gave me everything on the board."

Sold His Heirship, Bobby, for once, expressed great interest in the sermon. "Fancy flying machines being mentioned in the Bible!" he said. "But are they?"

"Why, didn't the vicar say Esau sold his heirship to his brother, Jacob?"-London Tit-Bits. The Average Consumer.

"Who's this man who is telling me to eat the luxuries of the table so as to save the staples?" "Why, what's the matter with you "He's either got to give me the

money to buy the lobsters with or tell

me I'm one myself!"

think It was a fluke."

Frank About It. "To what do you owe your success Mr. Waupum?" "I hardly know, My friends say it was an accident and my folks seem to

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They show this to be due to the of oxygen have a great influence on

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"If the Truth Came Out."

rier's pouch from Potsdam."

A Miss Graham, who died while engaged in war work at Malta, and left mony. legacies of \$500,000, held strange views waters contained less dissolved oxygen Tidal waves and storms bring but the motor continues in operation. opposed probate.

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the regret that the deceased had had ment.

cause she had "degraded herself" by chance, misdirected? Misdirected toentering the abhorrent state of matri- ward products as an end in itself, in-The point at issue was submitted to vitally initiative human individuals- der hands, strong hands, capable J. W. Sale and W. W. Skinner reagencies there is sometimes found to construction of the tool a friction on the marriage question. On the a jury, who held that strange marriage joyous workers, to whom product is a hands, hands to lift and guide and ported in a paper presented at a meet- be very little of it in the lower layers. clutch with a spring release is pro- ground that her views indicated an un- views did not prove a state of insanity, by-product, wealth an incident-men cheer and comfort, hands to take care

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